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Advisory Action	10/623,226	CHAI ET AL.				
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The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address						
THE REPLY FILED 20 September 2004 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.						
PERIOD FOR REPLY [check either a) or b)]						
a) The period for reply expires <u>3</u> months from the mailing date of the final rejection.						
b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in						
(b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).						
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.						
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:						
(a) ☑ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);						
(b) ⊠ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);						
(c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or						
(d) they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.						
NOTE: See Continuation Sheet.						
3.☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject	ction(s):					
 Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would canceling the non-allowable claim(s). 	d be allowable if submitted in a s	separate, timely filed amendment				
5.⊠ The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: of the new matter and new issues noted above.						
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered be raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.	cause it is not directed SOLELY	to issues which were newly				
For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) will not be entered or b) will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.						
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows	:					
Claim(s) allowed:						
Claim(s) objected to:	·					
Claim(s) rejected: <u>21-39</u> .		-				
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:						
8. The drawing correction filed on is a) approved or b) disapproved by the Examiner.						
9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s)						
10.⊠ Other: See Continuation Sheet						
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Continuation Sheet (PTOL-303) 110/623,226

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Continuation of 2. NOTE: it should be noted that a later application for an independent or distinct invention, carved out of a pending application and disclosing and claiming only subject matter disclosed in the earlier or parent application, is known as a divisional application or "division" (see MPEP § 201.06). If a continuation or divisional application filed contains subject matter that would have been new matter in the prior application, the application will have to be amended to indicate that it is a continuation-in-part application rather than a continuation or a divisional application (see MPEP § 201.06(c)). Further, a continuation-in-part application requires a newly executed oath or declaration. Since applicant argues that the application is properly filed as a divisional, the specification and claims as amended present the issue of new matter (e.g., charge coupled device) and new issues (e.g., high energy radiation) which requires further consideration and/or search.

Continuation of 10. Other: further applicant argues that multi-photon is not new matter. Examiner respectfully disagrees. The specification as filed discloses (pg. 4, lines 10-15) that "It is generally accepted that the basic scintillation process involves three steps: (1) the absorption of the incident high energy radiation and the conversion into a large number of low energy (a few multiples of the band gap energy) electrons and hole pairs; (2) transfer the electron-hole recombination energy to the luminescence centers before its loss to multi-phonon relaxation processes; and, (3) the radiative emission of the transferred energy". Thus the specification as filed discloses multi-phonon relaxation processes which reduces the energy available for radiative emission during the scintillation process. Therefore an amendment changing multi-phonon to multi-photon constitutes new matter.